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REMARKS

Claims 1-8, 10, 11 and 13-29 are currently pending in the subject application and are presently under consideration. Claims 23-29 are allowed. Claim 12 is objected to, and would be allowable if recast in independent form to include all limitations of its respective base claim and any intervening claims. Independent claims 1, 17, and 22 have been amended to recite limitations deemed allowable by the Examiner. Claims 9 and 12 have been cancelled.

In view of the herein amendments, the respective claim rejections in the subject Office Action are moot, and withdrawal thereof is respectfully requested. It is noted that the subject amendments were made to place the application in immediate condition for allowance, but applicants' representative disagrees with the rejections of the claims as originally filed in view of various deficiencies of the cited art. Accordingly, applicants' representative intends to pursue the original claims in a continuation application.

The present application is believed to be in condition for allowance in view of the above comments and amendments, and a prompt action to such end is earnestly solicited.

In the event any fees are due in connection with this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1063.

Should the Examiner believe a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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